

**TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**173 Old Turnpike Road**  
**Califon, New Jersey 07830**  
**Phone: 908-439-2010 Fax: 908-439-2655**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**  
**June 12, 2024**

**7:00 PM REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Open to Public**  
**Old Turnpike School Library**

If members of the public wish to attend the meeting virtually, meetings are streamed Live over Youtube via the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/live/-KXJzSjW11w>

**During public comment, public participants are invited to address the Board with questions or comments.**

District Goals

1. Engage in strategic planning process and create a long-term vision for our schools as a School District of Excellence.
2. Cultivate teacher excellence by engaging educators in high quality professional learning opportunities to improve understanding of pedagogical strategies and better meet the learning needs of all students.
3. Enhance communication with the Tewksbury community to engage stakeholders.
4. Address students' social learning needs through character education programs and anti-bullying activities.

Board Goals

1. Initiate and complete the strategic planning process for the district with the aim of formulating a comprehensive 5-year strategic plan that embodies the values and culture of our community.
2. Support our administrators, staff and teachers in nurturing a culture of educational excellence and fostering a positive educational environment for all students, while maintaining fiscal responsibility.
3. Elevate public outreach and involvement by ensuring the consistent, comprehensive, and punctual distribution of information to all our stakeholders--encompassing students, educators, parents, and the broader community.

**I. CALL TO ORDER** Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**II. SUNSHINE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Welcome to a meeting of the Tewksbury Township Board of Education. The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Tewksbury Township Board of Education has caused notice of the time and place of this meeting to be published in the Courier News and the Hunterdon Democrat and notice of the meeting has been posted on the Tewksbury Township School District website. [www.tewksburyschools.org](http://www.tewksburyschools.org).

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

|             |              |             |                 |                             |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Ms. Carrino | Mr. Charniga | Ms. Fleming | Mrs. Jardinella | Mrs. Munoz                  |
| Mrs. Niang  | Dr. Simon    | Mrs. Wygera | Ms. Stein       | Dr. Shouffler<br>Ms. Goguen |

**V. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**Motion to close public comments \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_**

All in Favor:

**Roll Call:**

Ms. Carrino \_\_\_ Mr. Charniga \_\_\_ Ms. Fleming \_\_\_ Mrs. Jardinella \_\_\_ Mrs. Munoz \_\_\_ Mrs. Niang \_\_\_ Dr. Simon \_\_\_  
Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**VI. PRESENTATION**

**VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**VIII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- HIB Report
- Enrollment Reports
- Emergency/Fire Drill Reports

|                                    |                                    |                  |            |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
| <b>School</b>                      | <b>Tewksbury Elementary School</b> |                  |            |
| <b>Month/Year</b>                  | May 2024                           | May 2024         | June 2024  |
| <b>Date</b>                        | 5/24/2024 9:10 AM                  | 5/30/2024        | 6/3/2024   |
| <b>Drill Description</b>           | Fire Drill                         | Shelter In Place | Fire Drill |
| <b>Duration/<br/>Time of Drill</b> | 5 Minutes                          | 5 Minutes        | 7 Minutes  |

|                            |                |                       |                |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Weather Conditions</b>  | Sunny          | n/a                   | Overcast       |
| <b>Conductor of Drill</b>  | L. Moore       | L. Moore              | L. Moore       |
| <b>Notification Method</b> | Pulled Station | Loud Speaker & Walkie | Pulled Station |

|                                    |                                   |                          |                                   |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>School</b>                      | <b>Old Turnpike School</b>        |                          |                                   |
| <b>Month/Year</b>                  | May 2024                          | May 2024                 | June 2024                         |
| <b>Date</b>                        | 5/24/24                           | 5/30/24                  | 6/3/24                            |
| <b>Drill Description</b>           | Fire Drill                        | Shelter In Place         | Fire drill                        |
| <b>Duration/<br/>Time of Drill</b> | 5 minutes                         | 4 minutes                | 5 minutes                         |
| <b>Weather Conditions</b>          | Sunny                             | Sunny                    | Sunny                             |
| <b>Conductor of Drill</b>          | D. Krowl, D. Bracuti, M. Mitchell | M. Verderamo, D. Bracuti | D. Krowl, D. Bracuti, M. Mitchell |
| <b>Notification Method</b>         | Fire alarm system                 | PA system & radio        | June 2024                         |

**Motion to approve the following:**

1. Approve the May 22, 2024 HIB report from the Superintendent.

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_

**Discussion**

**Roll Call:**

Ms. Carrino \_\_\_ Mr. Charniga \_\_\_ Ms. Fleming \_\_\_ Mrs. Jardinella \_\_\_ Mrs. Munoz \_\_\_ Mrs. Niang \_\_\_ Dr. Simon \_\_\_  
Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**IX. MINUTES**

**Motion to approve the following minutes:**

- May 8, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting
- May 8, 2024 Executive Session
- May 22, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- May 22, 2024 Executive Session

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_

**Discussion**

**Roll Call:**

Ms. Carrino \_\_\_ Mr. Charniga \_\_\_ Ms. Fleming \_\_\_ Mrs. Jardinella \_\_\_ Mrs. Munoz \_\_\_ Mrs. Niang \_\_\_ Dr. Simon \_\_\_  
Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**X. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Curriculum**

Discussion

- Review of 2023-2024 HIB Summary Report
- Fall Sports

**Motion to approve the following:**

1. Approve the Language Instruction Education Program (LIEP) Three Year Plan for school years 2024-2027.

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_

**Discussion**

**Roll Call:**

Ms. Carrino \_\_\_ Mr. Charniga \_\_\_ Ms. Fleming \_\_\_ Mrs. Jardinella \_\_\_ Mrs. Munoz \_\_\_ Mrs. Niang \_\_\_ Dr. Simon \_\_\_  
Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**B. Policy**

Discussion

**C. Finance**

Discussion

**Motion to approve the following:**

1. Approval of Bills

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached lists of district bills for payment as presented by the School Business Administrator for the period May 23, 2024 through September June 12, 2024 for a total amount of \$609,850.16.

2. Acceptance and Approval of Board Secretary’s Report for the month of May, 2024.
3. BE IT RESOLVED that upon review of the Board Secretary’s Reports for the month of May, 2024 in consultation with appropriate district officials, the Board of Education certifies that no fund had been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(b); and the Board of Education further certifies, based on the Board Secretary’s certification, that the total of encumbrances for each line item account does not exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(a).
4. Acceptance and Approval of Treasurer’s Report for the month of May, 2024.
5. BE IT RESOLVED that upon review of the Treasurer’s Report for the month of May, 2024 in consultation with appropriate district officials, the Board of Education certifies that no fund had been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(b); and the Board Secretary further certifies, based on the Board Treasurer’s Report, that the total of encumbrances for each line item account does not exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(a).

The Board Secretary certifies, pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(c)(3), that the total of encumbrances for each line item account does not exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23A-16:10(a).

6. Approve the attached list of transfers.
7. Approve the following resolution for transfer to Capital Reserve Account and Maintenance Reserve Account:

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 18A:21-2 and NJSA 18A:7G-13 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a board of education to transfer anticipated excess current revenue or unexpended appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

**WHEREAS**, the Tewksbury Township Board of Education wishes to deposit anticipated current year surplus into a Reserve account at year end, and

**WHEREAS** the Tewksbury Township Board of Education has determined that an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000.00 is available for such purpose of transfer;

**WHEREAS** the Tewksbury Township Board of Education would like to deposit up to \$1,250,000 as follows: Capital Reserve - up to \$1,000,000 and Maintenance Reserve – up to \$250,000, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tewksbury Township Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

8. Appoint Wilentz, Goldman, & Spitzer. P.A. as Bond Counsel for the Tewksbury Township School District Board of Education for the 2024-2025 school year.
9. Acknowledge receipt of Report of Vendors for the 2023-2024 school year as per P.L. 2015 Chapter 47.
10. Approve entering into contract with DBA Aveanna Healthcare for nursing services for 2024-2025 School Year effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at a rate of \$70.00 per hour.
11. Approve placement of student #2939084202 at ECLC of New Jersey for the Extended School Year Program beginning July 1, 2024 through July 30, 2024 at a tuition rate of \$13,355.40 plus transportation.

12. Approve placement of student #2939084202 at ECLC of New Jersey for the 2024-2025 School Year beginning September 5, 2024 through June 25, 2025 at a tuition rate of \$120,198.60 plus transportation.
13. Approve placement of student #3677617586 at The Midland School for the Extended School Year Program beginning July 8, 2024 through August 16, 2024 at a tuition rate of \$19,191.00 plus transportation.
14. Approve placement of student #3677617586 at The Midland School for the 2024-2025 School Year beginning September 5, 2024 through June 13, 2025 at a tuition rate of \$115,146.00 plus transportation.
15. Approve the contract between the Educational Services Commission of Morris County Cooperative Pricing System and the Tewksbury Township School District Board of Education for the purchase of work, material and supplies for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school year beginning June 12, 2024 through March 31, 2025.
16. Approve the following workshop/travel requests for the 2024-2025 school year.

| <b>Workshops/Travel Requests</b> |             |                     |                                |  |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>Staff Member</b>              | <b>Date</b> | <b>Registration</b> | <b>Other Expenses*</b>         | <b>Event/Destination</b>                         |
| Jennifer Shouffler               | 8/15/24     | \$75.00             | Mileage = \$61<br>Tolls = \$20 | Bank Street Summer Math Conference, New York, NY |

\*Mileage will be reimbursed according to board policy.

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_

**Discussion**

**Roll Call:**

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Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**D. Technology**

Discussion

- Chromebook procedures for upcoming school year

**E. Facilities**

Discussion

- Update on upcoming summer projects

**Motion to approve the following:**

1. Approve the alternate method of compliance in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-6.3 whereby bathrooms are accessible across the hall from Kindergarten classroom 104 and adult supervision to the bathrooms will be provided in a manner that does not infringe upon instructional time.

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_

**Discussion**

**Roll Call:**

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Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**F. Transportation**

Discussion

**G. Communication**

Discussion

- Climate Survey

**H. Other**

Discussion

- Strategic Plan-Action Plan

**XI. LEGISLATIVE REVIEW**

Discussion

- Teacher Evaluations

**XII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ Enter closed session at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

WHEREAS, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, also known as the Sunshine Law, authorizes a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances, and:

WHEREAS, said law required the Board of Education to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Township of Tewksbury that it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session at this time to discuss personnel and legal matters for approximately thirty minutes. The matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a public meeting. Action may be taken.

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ Enter open session at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

**I. Personnel**

Discussion

**Motion to approve the following:**

1. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve all certified staff as home instructors for the 2024-2025 school year on an as needed basis, at their hourly rate of pay.
2. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve to hire Tracy Barnes as a Special Education Teacher, beginning August 26, 2024 at Step 2 MA \$66,224.
3. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Joseph Frankosky as the new teacher mentor for Tracy Barnes, Elementary School Special Education Teacher, beginning August 26, 2024. Upon completion, the mentor will be paid the annual mentor fee of \$550.
4. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve to hire Kaycie Sconda as a Health/Physical Education Teacher, beginning August 26, 2024 at Step 2 BA+30 \$64,024, pending criminal history review. (TES-TCH-PHED-02)
5. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Annie Rose-Mason as the new teacher mentor for Kaycie Sconda, Health and Physical Education Teacher, beginning August 26, 2024. Upon completion, the mentor will be paid the annual mentor fee of \$550.
6. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve to hire Erin Buttgerit as a Middle School English Language Arts Teacher, beginning August 26, 2024 at Step 2 MA \$66,224.00, pending criminal history review. (OTS-TCH-LA-01 )
7. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve to hire Cathryn Ticchio as a Special Education Leave Replacement Teacher, beginning August 26, 2024 through approximately April 28, 2025, at MA+15 \$68,424.00 (prorated), pending criminal history review. (OTS-TCH-MD-01)
8. Approve the following clubs for the 2024-2025 school year.



| <b>Advisors</b>  | <b>Name of Club</b>                    | <b>Description</b>   | <b>Stipend</b>      | <b>Supply Budget</b> |
|------------------|--|--|---------------------|----------------------|
| Nicole Amato     | ELA Support Homework Helper (Gr. 5-8)  | Wednesdays and Thursdays after school for grades 5 through 8 for help with homework. | \$3,000 (full year) | \$0                  |
| Bonnie Mendralla | Math Support Homework Helper (Gr. 5-8) | Wednesdays and Thursdays after school for grades 5 through 8 for help with homework. | \$3,000 (full year) | \$0                  |

9. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Holden Ackerman as a part time summer Custodian effective approximately June 17, 2024 at a salary of \$16.00/hour, up to 32 hours per week, not to exceed ten weeks.
10. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve William Weinlein as a part time summer Custodian effective approximately June 17, 2024 at a salary of \$16.00/hour, up to 32 hours per week, not to exceed ten weeks.
11. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Kenya Kaszyk as a part time summer Custodian effective approximately June 17, 2024 at a salary of \$19.00/hour, up to 32 hours per week, not to exceed ten weeks.
12. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Alejandra Franco as a part time summer Custodian effective approximately June 17, 2024 at a salary of \$16.00/hour, up to 32 hours per week, not to exceed ten weeks.
13. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Josephine Mosier as a substitute teacher/aide for the 2024-2025 school year, pending criminal history review.
14. Approve the following athletic honoraria positions for fall, 2024, pending sufficient enrollment.

| <b>Name</b>        | <b>Position</b>               | <b>Stipend</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Cathy Zisk         | Head Cross Country Coach      | \$4,401.00     |
| Tom Lobb           | Assistant Cross Country Coach | \$3,721.00     |
| Darcy Harp         | Girls Volleyball              | \$4,401.00     |
| Daniela DiGiovanni | Head Girls Soccer Coach       | \$3,554.00     |
| Rob Lovering       | Head Boys Soccer Coach        | \$4,401.00     |

15. At the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Morgan Garner, a student at Centenary University, to fulfill her Clinical Experience (practicum) with Aimee Emge during the first semester 2024-25 and Clinical Internship (student teaching) with Joe Frankosky during the second semester 2024-25.

16. Approve the Superintendent’s 2023-2024 Evaluation.

17. Approve the following library volunteers for the 2024-2025 school year.

- Faith Ross
- Ellen Siegel

18. Approve the following club at Old Turnpike School for the 2023-2024 school year:

| Advisors        | Name of Club              | Description   | Stipend<br>(half year club) | Supply Budget |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Nicole Polinger | Gaming Club<br>Grades 5-8 | Students will play video games and participate in VR games. | \$1,500.00                  | n/a           |

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_

**Discussion**

**Roll Call:**

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Mrs. Wygera \_\_\_ Ms. Stein \_\_\_

**XIV. OLD BUSINESS**

**XV. NEW BUSINESS**

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Adjournment: \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

All in Favor:

**Roll Call:**

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